

PENDING CLAIMS

This listing of the claims is presented without amendments for the convenience of the Examiner.

1-22. (Cancelled)

23. (Previously Presented) A method for managing blocking of undesirable messages in a mobile radio system, the method comprising:

receiving a message from a sender at a service provider wherein the sender requests to withhold a sender address information;

transmitting a message available notification and an identification signal from the service provider to a recipient serviced by the service provider without providing the sender address information, the message available notification notifying the recipient that the message is ready for download by the recipient, wherein the identification signal is usable by the service provider, but not the recipient, for identifying the sender address information;

in response to a receipt of the message available notification by the recipient, receiving a request from the recipient to the service provider, the request comprising at least the identification signal received by the recipient, the request indicating to the service provider that the recipient wants to have the sender of the message put on a list of exclusions; and

adding the sender to the list of exclusion based at least on the identification signal such that this message and further message available notifications from this sender will not be received by the recipient.

24. (Previously Presented) A method for blocking undesirable messages in a mobile radio system as claimed in claim 23, wherein the list of exclusions is managed by the service provider.

25. (Previously Presented) A method for blocking undesirable messages in a mobile radio system as claimed in claim 23, wherein the list of exclusions is a personal, individual list of exclusions of the recipient.

26. (Previously Presented) A method for blocking undesirable messages in a mobile radio system as claimed in claim 23, wherein the list of exclusions is a general list of exclusions that is taken into consideration for at least one of all recipients and groups of recipients.

27. (Previously Presented) A method for blocking undesirable messages in a mobile radio system as claimed in claim 23, wherein the request sent to the service provider includes a self-contained abstract message.

28. (Previously Presented) A method for blocking undesirable messages in a mobile radio system as claimed in claim 27, wherein wherein the request sent to the service provider is integrated in the abstract message in the an information element form.

29. (Previously Presented) A method for blocking undesirable messages in a mobile radio system as claimed in claim 23, wherein the identification signal sent to the service provider is contained in user data of a Multimedia Message.

30. (Previously Presented) A method for blocking undesirable messages in a mobile radio system as claimed in claim 23, wherein the request sent to the service provider contains further information for the filter functionality, including at least one of a type of the list of exclusions and time limitations.

31. (Previously Presented) A system for managing blocking of undesirable messages in a mobile radio system, comprising:

a service provider configured to:

receive a message from a sender requesting to withhold an associated sender address from delivery to a recipient;

transmit a message available notification and an identification signal to the recipient served by the service provider, the message available notification notifying the recipient that the message is ready for download by the recipient, wherein the identification signal is usable by the service provider, but not the recipient, for identifying the sender address;

receive, in response to a receipt of the message available notification by the recipient, a request from the recipient to add the sender to a list of exclusions, wherein the request comprises at least the identification signal received by the recipient with the message available notification; and

based at least on the identification signal, add the sender to the list of exclusions such that the message is not received by the recipient;

wherein the identification signal comprises:

a message identification element; or

a reference to a storage location of a message.

32. (Previously Presented) A system for blocking undesirable messages in a mobile radio system as claimed in claim 31, wherein the service provider manages the list of exclusions.

33. (Previously Presented) A system for blocking undesirable messages in a mobile radio system as claimed in claim 31, wherein the list of exclusions is a personal, individual list of exclusions of the recipient.

34. (Previously Presented) A system for blocking undesirable messages in a mobile radio system as claimed in claim 31, wherein the list of exclusions is a general list of exclusions that is taken into consideration for at least one of all recipients and groups of recipients.

35. (Previously Presented) A system for blocking undesirable messages in a mobile radio system as claimed in claim 31, wherein the request sent to the service provider is formed as a self-contained abstract message.

36. (Previously Presented) A system for blocking undesirable messages in a mobile radio system as claimed in claim 35, wherein the request sent to the service provider is integrated in the abstract message in an information element form.

37. (Previously Presented) A system for blocking undesirable messages in a mobile radio system as claimed in claim 31, wherein the request sent to the service provider is contained in user data of a Multimedia Message.

38. (Previously Presented) A system for blocking undesirable messages in a mobile radio system as claimed in claim 31, wherein the request sent to the service provider contains further information for filter functionality, including at least one of a type of the list of exclusions and time limitations.

39. (Previously Presented) A method for managing the blocking of undesirable messages in a mobile radio system, the method comprising:

receiving a message from a sender at a service provider;

transmitting the message and an identification signal from the service provider to a recipient serviced by the service provider, the identification signal comprising an alias name for the sender wherein the alias name renders the sender anonymous;

in response to a receipt of the message and the identification signal by the recipient, receiving a request from the recipient to add the sender to a list of exclusions, wherein the request comprises at least the identification signal; and

based at least on the identification signal, adding the sender to the list of exclusions.

40. (Previously Presented) A system for managing blocking of undesirable messages in a mobile radio system, comprising:

a service provider configured to:

receive a message from a sender;

transmit the message and an identification signal to a recipient served by the service provider, the identification signal comprising an alias name for the sender wherein the alias name renders the sender anonymous;

receive, in response to a receipt of the message and the identification signal by the recipient, a request from the recipient to add the sender to a list of exclusions, wherein the request comprises at least the identification signal; and

based at least on the identification signal, adding the sender to the list of exclusions.